

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

February 20, 2001
8:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Mosher, Councilmembers Creighton, Davidson, Degginger, Lee, and Noble

ABSENT: Deputy Mayor Marshall

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Mayor Mosher, who presided.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers except Deputy Mayor Marshall were present. Dr. Davidson led the flag salute.

(a) Presentation of Washington Traffic Safety Commission Award

Transportation Director Goran Sparrman introduced Karen Gonzalez, Neighborhood Services Manager, who worked with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission on two pedestrian crossing projects. John Moffatt, Director of the Commission, presented the 18th Annual Traffic Safety Achievement Award for Engineering to Bellevue for pedestrian projects near two elementary schools. The Commission provided incentive money for a demonstration project in school zones for other cities and counties to follow. Bellevue received the funding and pedestrian crossing improvements were installed at Bennett Elementary and Somerset Elementary to address congestion caused by parents dropping off children and frequently blocking the crosswalk to do so. The improvements include curb extensions and raised crosswalks.

Mr. Moffatt commended Bellevue for its attractive design and quick implementation of the projects. He displayed the videotaped presentation of the award. Mr. Moffatt noted that Bellevue provided written documentation of how the project was developed and implemented, which will be used by other cities wishing to emulate the project.

Mayor Mosher thanked Mr. Sparrman, Ms. Gonzalez, and transportation staff for their work on the pedestrian crossing projects.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

Mayor Mosher explained a limitation on communications regarding the Open Window School Conditional Use Appeal and the Mosque Conditional Use Application. Council cannot take public comment on either matter at this time because applications are pending and will be considered by Council in quasi-judicial hearings.

Mr. Mosher asked the public to send any written comments to Myrna Basich, City Clerk. Under the Council's rules, all such communications must be received by the City Clerk by 1:00 p.m. on the Wednesday before the Council meeting in which the application is to be considered. This is necessary to allow the City Attorney sufficient time to review the materials to be sure they do not contain information that cannot be considered by Council. Mr. Mosher emphasized that Councilmembers are not allowed to discuss either matter at this time.

- (a) Mark Thometz, Executive Director of Downtown Action to Save Housing (DASH), requested Council's support of the Washington Court Senior Congregate Care facility.
- (b) Mark Newman, DASH Board Member, encouraged Council to approve funding for the Washington Court senior housing facility.

4. Reports of Community Councils, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager

City Manager Steve Sarkozy noted a management brief in the Council packet regarding the City's energy conservation efforts. He said the City responded to Governor Locke's order regarding conservation with an aggressive program that has reduced electric and gas consumption by 11 percent.

Dr. Davidson said he is pleased with the conservation efforts. However, he noted that conservation measures typically lead to increased rates per unit of energy used. He encouraged government to create more power sources to accommodate the region's growth.

Mr. Lee questioned whether conservation efforts will save or cost the City money. Mr. Sarkozy said the City has achieved energy savings in several areas at little or no cost to the City. Additional savings might be achieved if the City were to invest in some energy-saving standards that may have a somewhat longer payback period.

Mayor Mosher is pleased with staff's efforts to comply with Governor Locke's order on energy conservation.

6. Council Business

Councilmembers provided their reports in the earlier Study Session.

7. Approval of the Agenda

- ☛ Mr. Creighton moved to approve the agenda, and Dr. Davidson seconded the motion.

- ➡ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 6-0.

8. Consent Calendar

- ➡ Mr. Creighton moved to approve the Consent Calendar, and Dr. Davidson seconded the motion.

Mr. Degginger requested that item 8(a) be pulled to allow a revision to the minutes.

- ➡ The motion to approve the Consent Calendar, as amended to delete item (a), carried by a vote of 6-0, and the following items were approved:

- (b) Resolution No. 6506 relating to the Municipal Employees' Benefit Trust (MEBT), approving and adopting the First Amendment to the City of Bellevue Employees' Survivor and Disability (S&D) Benefits Plan and the Eleventh Amendment to the City of Bellevue Employees' Retirement Benefit Plan.
- (c) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending February 9, 2001, and payroll for the period January 16 through January 31, 2001.
- (d) A Regional Coalition for Housing (ARCH) Recommendations
 - (1) Resolution No. 6507 approving the execution of an agreement for the funding of affordable housing projects recommended by the ARCH Executive Board (Washington Court Senior Congregate Care Facility), utilizing funds from the City's Housing Fund and Operating Grants and Donations Fund.
 - (2) Resolution No. 6508 approving the proposed ARCH 2001 work program and budget.
- (e) Resolution No. 6509 authorizing execution of a contract amendment with KPFF Consulting Engineers in the amount of \$48,404 for the completion of engineering design and construction support services related to the Kamber Road improvements. (CIP Project No. PW-R-102)
- (f) Resolution No. 6510 authorizing execution of an interlocal agreement with the City of Redmond, which is acting as lead agency on this joint project, for the resurfacing of asphalt pavement, construction of traffic control devices, and channelization on the southbound lanes of 148th Avenue NE. Bellevue will reimburse Redmond on the City share of the cost, which is estimated to be \$115,000 from CIP Project No. PW-M-1.
- (g) Ordinance No. 5274 authorizing execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant Program with King County; establishing a project within the Operating Grants and Donations Fund; amending the budget for the Operating Grants and Donations Fund by appropriating additional revenues to that

fund; authorizing expenditures of said grant funds; and authorizing interfund loans.

Mr. Degginger said he will submit a clarification for the February 5 Regular Session minutes to the City Clerk.

Dr. Davidson said he is proud of the work of DASH and their contributions to the community.

9. Public Hearings: None.

10. Land Use

- (a) Ordinance No. 5275 reclassifying the north 9,038 square feet of a 20,286 square feet unplatted tract located at 15030 NE 9th Place on the application of Wendell Duncan from single-family R-2.5 to single-family R-3.5 so that the entire tract bears the same classification.

➡ Mr. Lee moved to adopt Ordinance No. 5275, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.

In response to Dr. Davidson, Senior Planner Julia Kruger said this is the only property in the area with split zoning that would benefit from a rezone.

➡ The motion to adopt Ordinance No. 5275 carried by a vote of 6-0.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions

- (a) Coal Creek Parkway, I-405 to Factoria Boulevard, Project

Dave Berg, Assistant Transportation Director for Capital Projects, described Coal Creek Parkway as a major link in South Bellevue's transportation system. The Coal Creek Parkway Roadway Improvements Project will enhance the corridor, add vehicular capacity, and provide pedestrian and bicycle improvements. The project was originally initiated by King County prior to the area's annexation into Bellevue. Mr. Berg said staff is asking Council to: 1) increase the project budget and accept additional TIB (Transportation Improvement Board) grant funds, 2) award the construction contract, and 3) authorize the City Manager to execute a consultant agreement for construction management and inspection services on the project.

Rick Logwood, Project Manager, provided an overview of the project. Coal Creek Parkway's approach to I-405 will be widened to provide six lanes including a dedicated lane for the northbound on-ramp. The road will be widened to the east to provide two through lanes, two left-turn lanes, and two westbound lanes. Improvements on 124th Avenue SE will provide northbound and southbound lanes as well as a dual left-turn lane allowing drivers to turn into the adjacent residential neighborhood. A multi-use facility for bicycles/pedestrians and landscaping will be provided between 119th and 124th Avenues. Mr. Logwood said the City will be assuming control of the I-405 ramp traffic signals, which will allow the City to implement improvements to the operation of the corridor and intersection.

In response to Mr. Degginger, Mr. Logwood said the City is not constructing any improvements underneath I-405. However, the City is rebuilding an asphalt trail just west of I-405 at 119th Avenue to provide a connection to the new pedestrian/bicycle walkway.

Mr. Lee feels the project will improve the roadway and enhance the safety of pedestrians. In response to Mr. Lee, Mr. Logwood said project development was coordinated with the community. The improvements are designed to match up with future improvements to 124th Avenue SE.

In response to Mr. Degginger, Interim Finance Director Gary Ameling said the funds to be applied to Coal Creek Parkway from the Richards Road project represent a cost savings on the Richards Road project.

In response to Mr. Noble, Mr. Logwood said project cost increases are associated with a phased project approach, police officers for traffic control, erosion control measures, water main relocations, and construction management. In further response, Mr. Logwood said cost increases are not directly related to any Endangered Species Act requirement. He noted the project was delayed last year to conduct a biological evaluation. Erosion control measures will be followed to protect Coal Creek from sediment runoff, and a new detention vault will serve as a settlement pond during construction. Mr. Logwood said these costs are reflected in the erosion control cost increase included in the overall \$381,000 budget increase.

In response to Mr. Lee, Mr. Logwood said the Coal Creek project will not contribute to the sediment runoff problems currently experienced at the Newport Shores delta. He said the detention vault and biofiltration system will help this situation somewhat.

In further response to Mr. Lee, Mr. Logwood said bid regulations require that all bidders submit a signed proposal. In this case, the apparent low bidder (Katspan, Inc.) did not sign their proposal so it is not considered a responsive bid. Their proposal also contained an irregularity in that the bid reflects a \$442,212 error in their bid proposal. City staff feel the project could not be completed at the cost reflected in their actual bid. Mr. Logwood said Council may waive the irregularity in KLB Construction's bid (the bid proposal contained a \$1,156 error due to a miscalculation of sales tax) and award the contract to KLB.

- (1) Ordinance No. 5276 amending the project budget for Capital Investment Program Project No. PW-R-95, Coal Creek Parkway roadway improvements, by appropriating \$120,000 in additional TIB grant funds received in excess of estimated revenues, and authorizing the transfer of funds from Transportation CIP Plan Projects to cover the shortfall.

➡ Mr. Noble moved to adopt Ordinance No. 5276, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to adopt Ordinance No. 5276 carried by a vote of 6-0.

- (2) Motion to waive an irregularity and award Bid No. 0032 for construction of additional travel lanes with sidewalks and bike lanes on both sides, drainage systems, water quality biofiltration swale, retaining walls, intersection and signal modifications and street lighting system, and

landscaping and irrigation improvements from I-405 to Factoria Boulevard in the amount of \$3,612,187 to KLB Construction, Inc. as the low responsive bidder.

- ➡ Mr. Noble moved to waive an irregularity and award Bid No. 0032 to KLB Construction, Inc., and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to waive an irregularity and award Bid No. 0032 to KLB Construction, Inc. carried by a vote of 6-0.

- (3) Resolution No. 6511 authorizing the City Manager to execute a consultant agreement with KBA, Inc. to provide construction inspection services in the amount of \$123,000 on CIP Project No. PW-R-95, Coal Creek Parkway roadway improvements.

- ➡ Mr. Noble moved to approve Resolution No. 6511, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6511 carried by a vote of 6-0.

- 12. Unfinished Business: None.
- 13. Continued Oral Communications: None.
- 14. New business: None.
- 15. Executive Session: None.
- 16. Adjournment

At 8:52 p.m., Mayor Mosher declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich
City Clerk

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